

# Course Structure and Description

## Machine Elements & Mechanisms I (ME&M-I)

### PART I

- Introduction into the theory of Planar Mechanisms:  
Statics, Kinematics, Kinetostatics and Dynamics;  
Mechanisms with Bars, Screws, Gears and Cams;

- Introduction to Mechanical Engineering Design:  
**Springs and Threaded Fasteners & Power Screws**

#### MEM-II Subjects:

- Shafts
- Keys
- Bearings
- Friction assemblies

### PART II

#### Mechanical transmissions:

- Gears
- V-belt Pulleys
- Couplings/clutches
- Friction drives

### PART III

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## Chapter 2 (Machine elements) Threaded Fasteners & Power Screws

- Definitions, introduction, history
- Terminology, Screw thread types
- Thread uses: Threaded Fasteners, Locking Mechanisms and Power Screws
- Standardization – Types of screws, nuts, washers
- Metric screw – Main dimensions, Classification
- Forces and moments acting in a screw pair
- Efficiency of a threaded pair (solutions for increased efficiency)

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# Brief history

Ancient time:

- Egyptians: lever, wedge (inclined plane), log roller – construction of pyramids;
- Mesopotamia: wheel and pulley (axle);
- Greeks: **Arhimede** from Siracusa (**water screw**), **Archytas** from Tarent (**screw**), Aristotel from Stagira (friction wheels and gears), **Heron** from Alexandria (syringe mechanism);
- Romans: military applications (catapults, wall scaling apparatus) and civil applications.

Modern time:

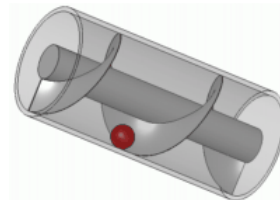
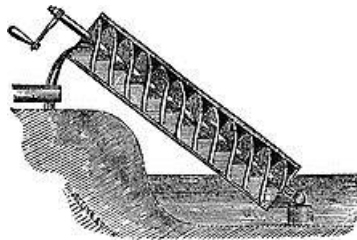
- Leonardo da Vinci, Galileo Galilei,
- Isaac Newton, James Watt,
- Leonhard Euler, Joseph-Louis Lagrange,
- Franz Reuleux, Robert Willis,
- Gaspard Monge, Jean Nicolas Pierre Hachette,
- Pafnuty Chebyshev, Ivan Ivanovich Artobolevsky
- Henry Brown
- Kurt Hain, Richard Hartenberg and Jacques Denavit

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## Archimedes water screw

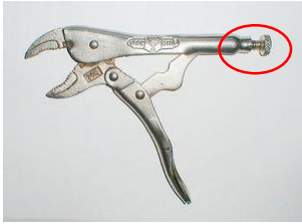


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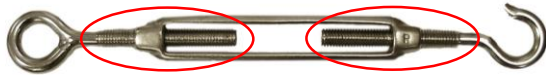
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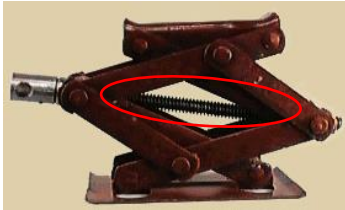
# Thread parts used in tools and devices



Adjustable locking plier  
(four-bars mechanism)



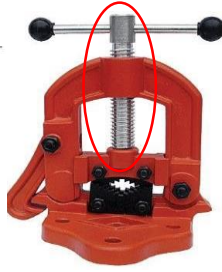
Turnbuckle



Scissor screwjack



Screwjack with  
rotating nut



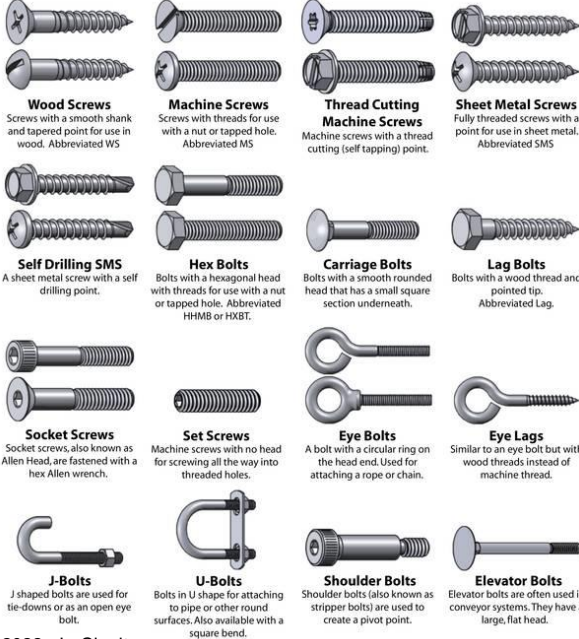
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## Screws and Bolts

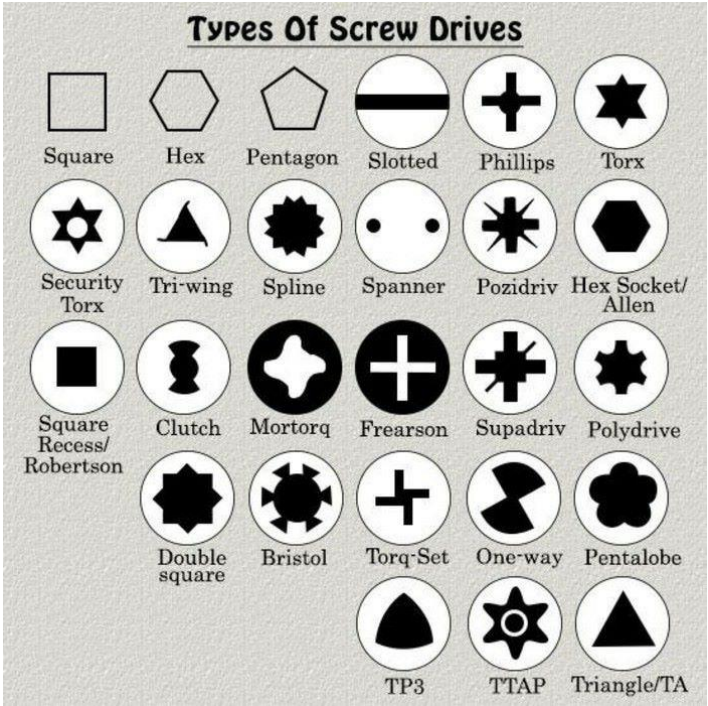


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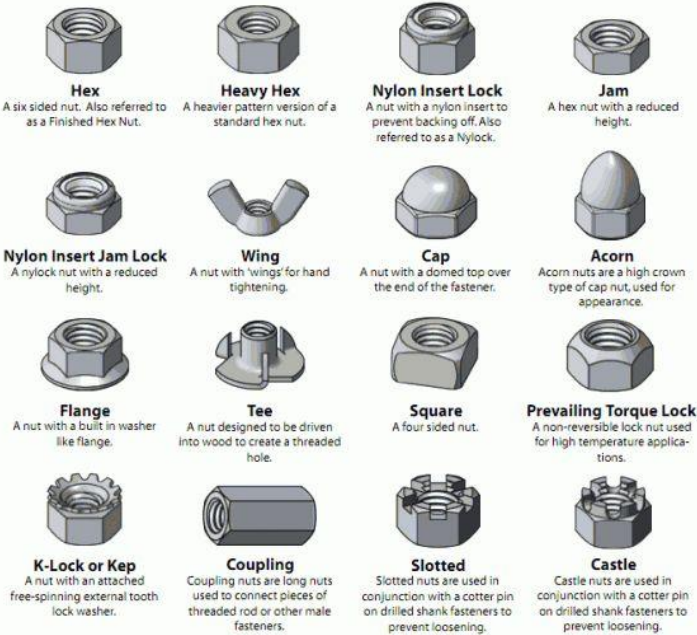


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# Nuts

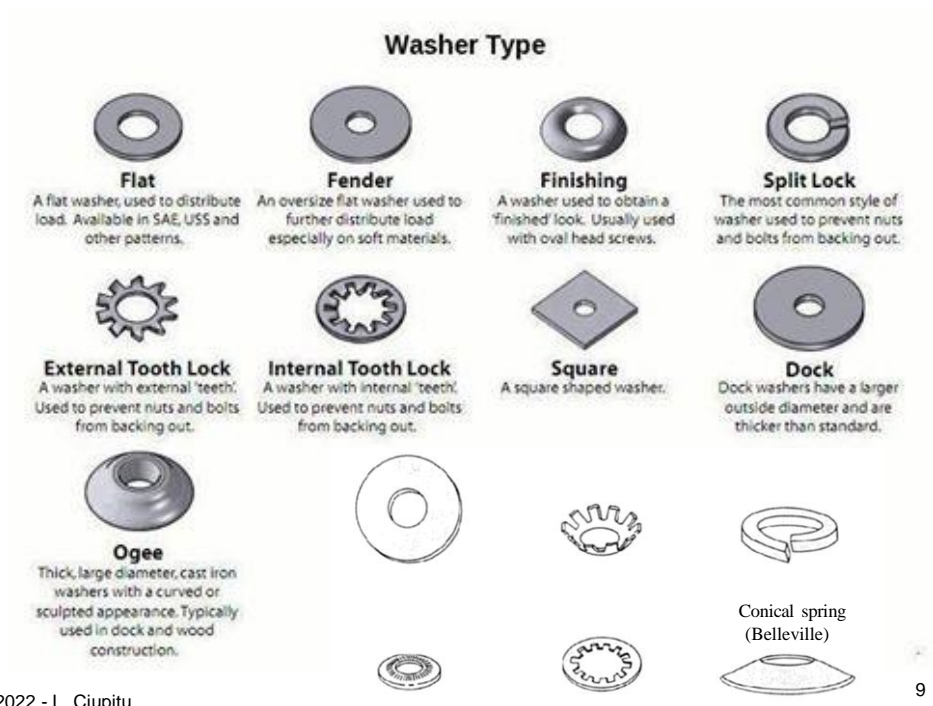


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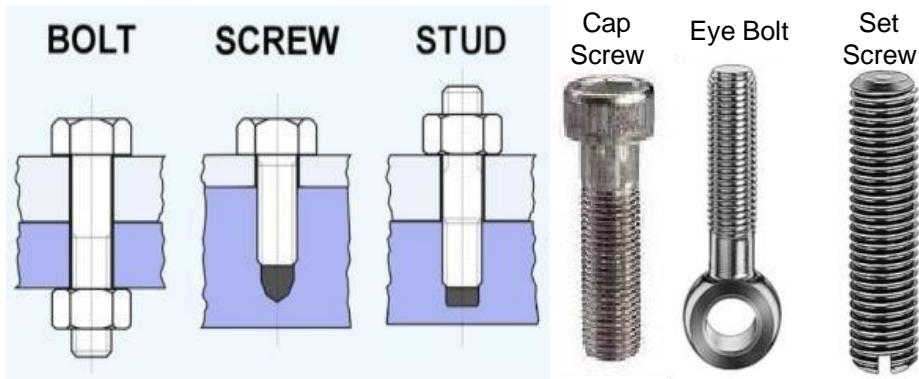
# Washers



Conical washer with hardened teeth. (Serrated washer)



## Dedicated threaded components (fasteners)



(1) Dedicated components - screws, bolts, nuts, studs, pins

(2) Various parts, threaded - caps, housings, wheels, etc

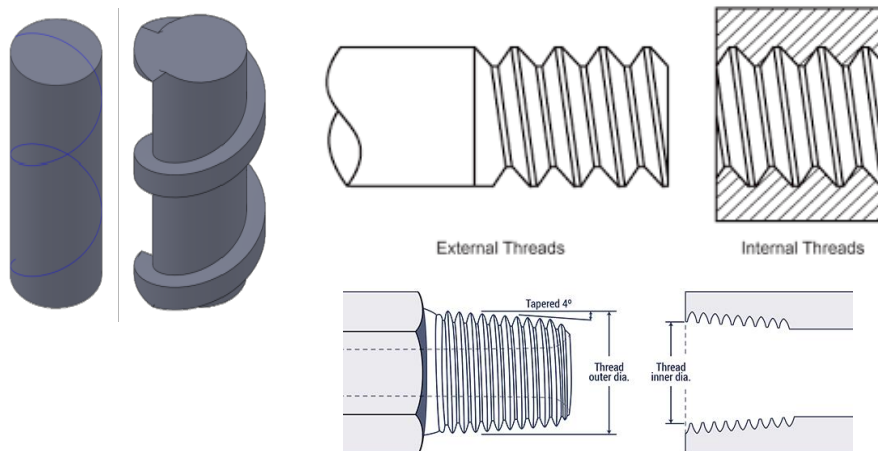
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## Thread

Thread is the ridge (channel) usually of uniform section, in the form of a helix with constant pitch, materialized on the external or internal surface of a cylinder or in the form of a conical spiral on the external or internal surface of a cone or frustum of cone.



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# THREAD TERMINOLOGY

<b>External (male) thread</b>	A thread cut on the <i>outside</i> of a cylindrical body.
<b>Internal (female) thread</b>	A thread cut on the <i>inside</i> of a cylindrical body.

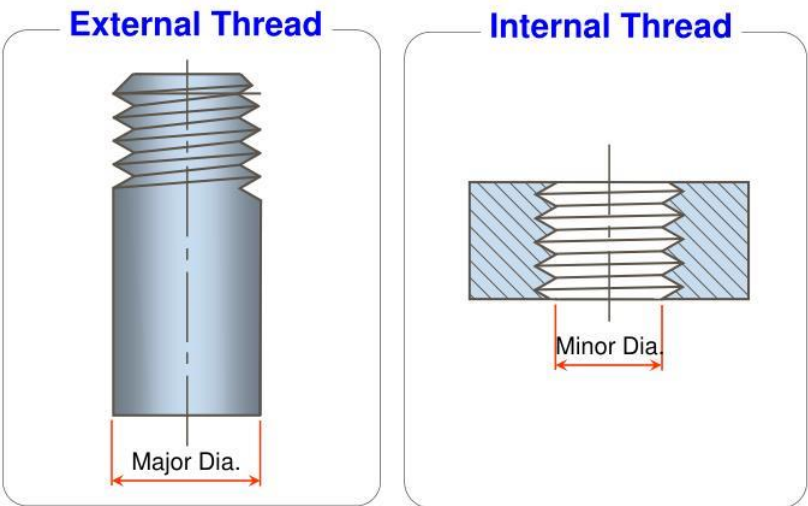


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# COMPARISON OF THREAD CUTTING

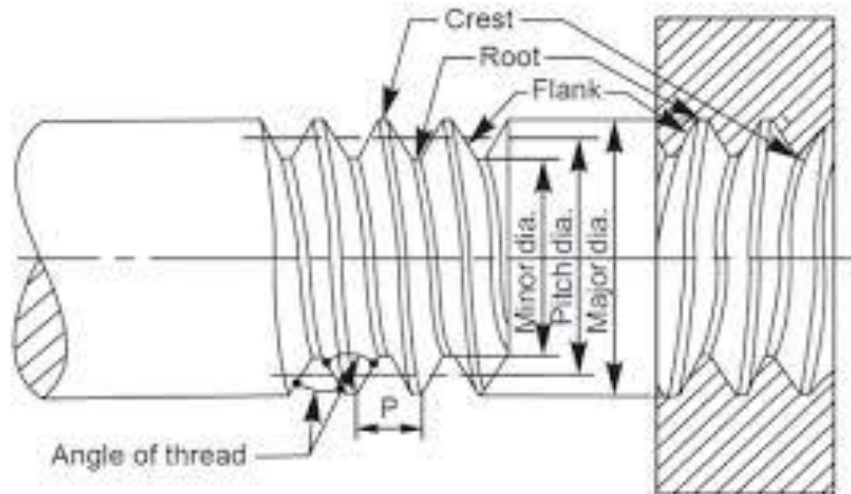


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## External and Internal Threads

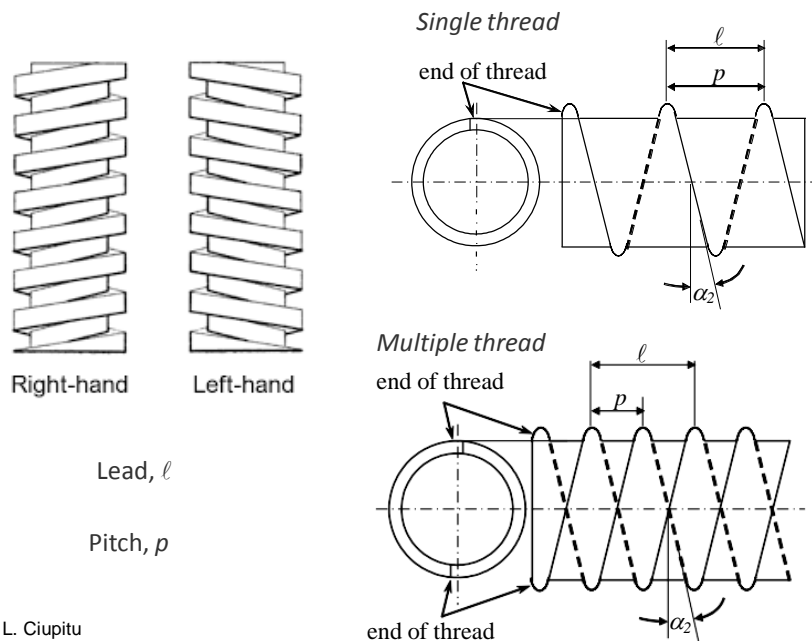


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## Thread - Classification



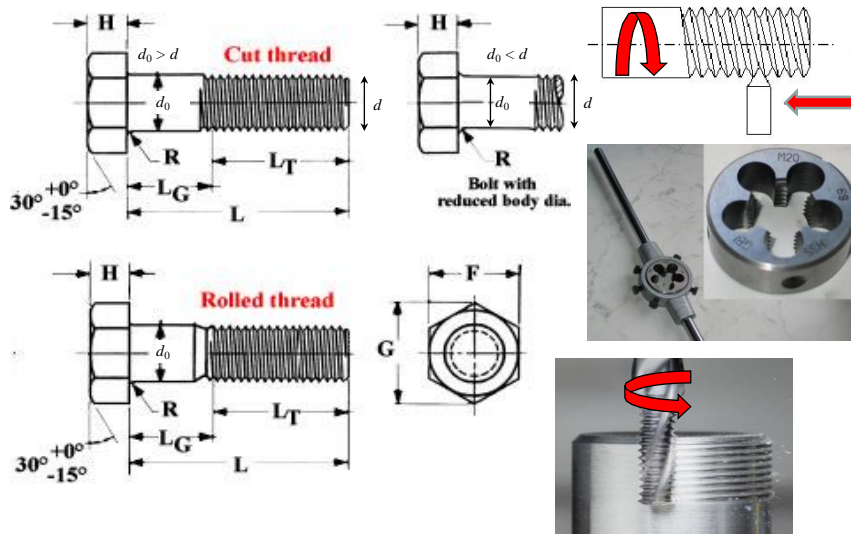
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## External Thread – manufacturing

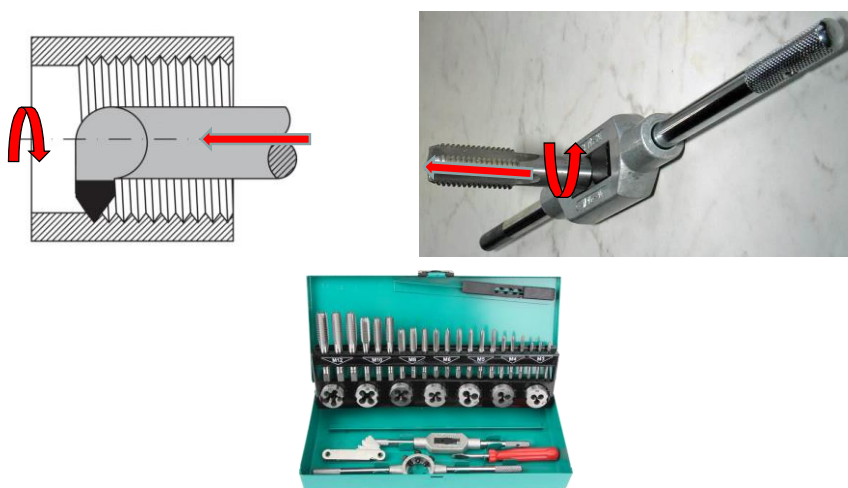


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## Internal Thread – manufacturing

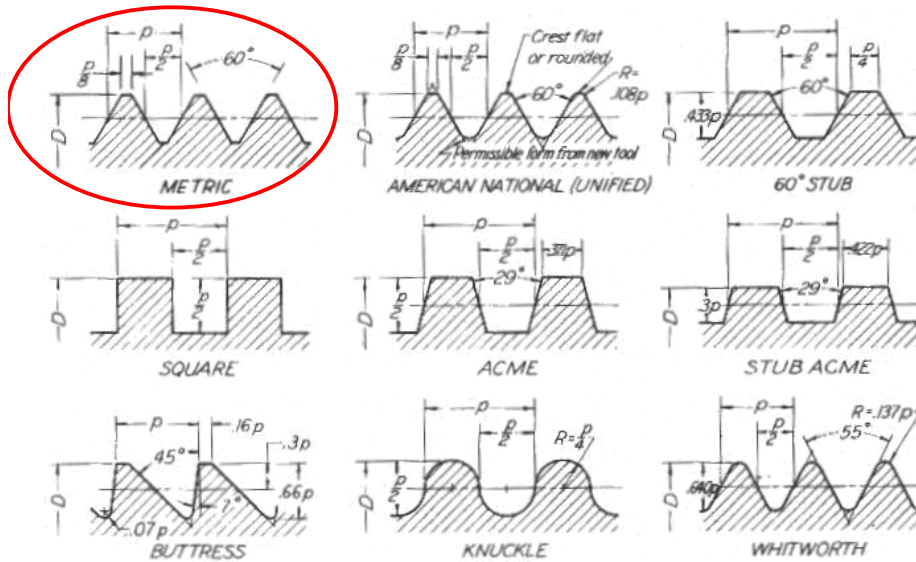


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# Thread cross section forms

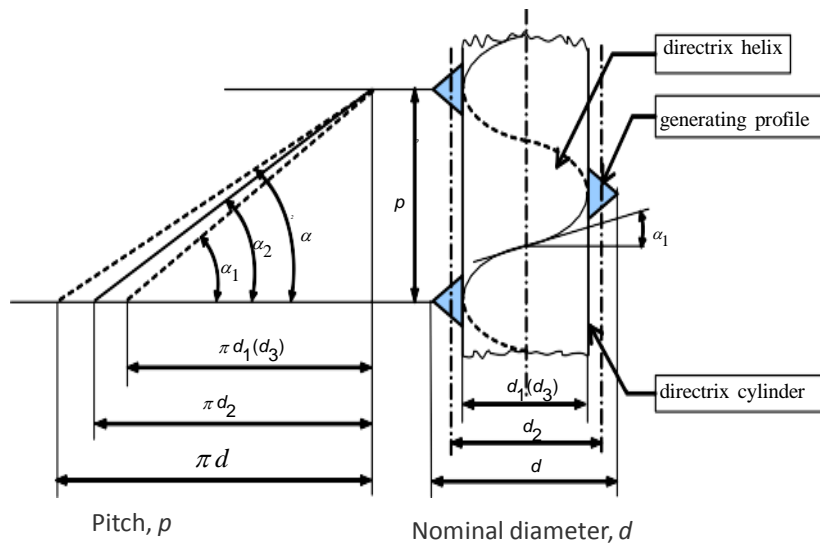


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## Thread – geometric elements

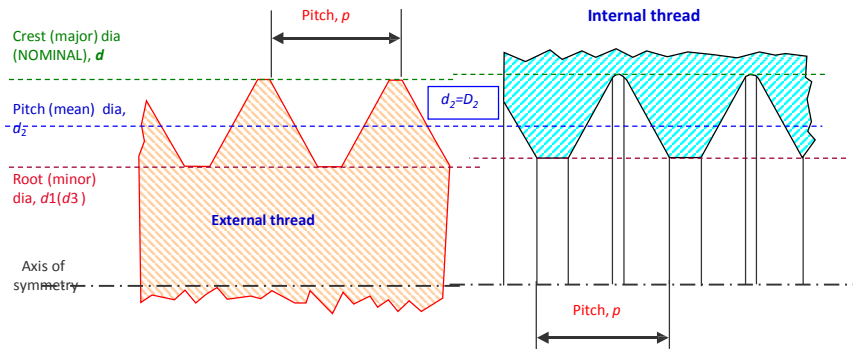


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# Metric Thread – Dimensions

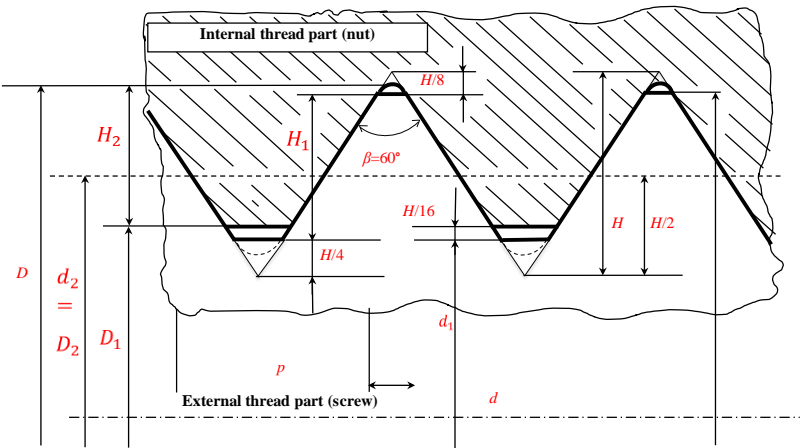


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# Assembly Threads – Dimensions



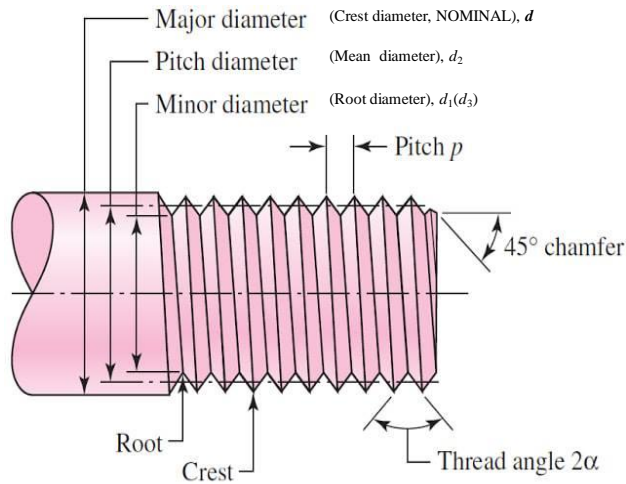
$$H = 0.866 p \quad H_1 = 5H/8 = 0.541 p \quad H_2 = H_1 - H/16 = 0.487 p$$

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# Metric Thread – Dimensions



**Example:** M 40 x 1.5 LH

*Metric type*  
 $d = 40 \text{ mm}$   
 $p = 1.5 \text{ mm}$   
*Left-hand*

Other possible details

- Helix direction
- Class of tolerances
- Number of starts

## Terminology of Screw Threads

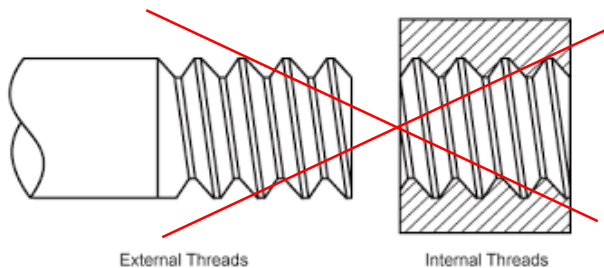
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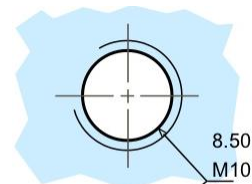
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## Thread simplified representation

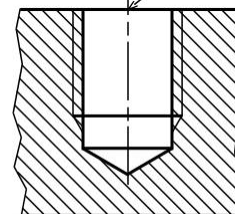
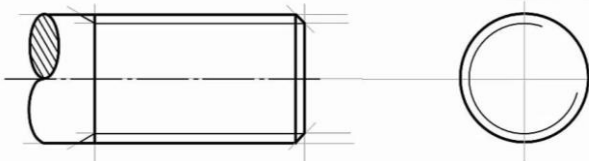
**Never draw the thread as it is in reality !**



Internal thread  
simplified  
representation



External thread simplified representation



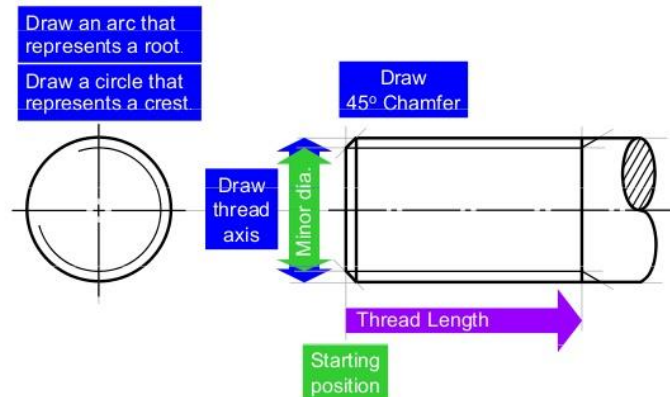
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## Thread simplified representation

### DRAWING STEPS OF EXTERNAL THREAD



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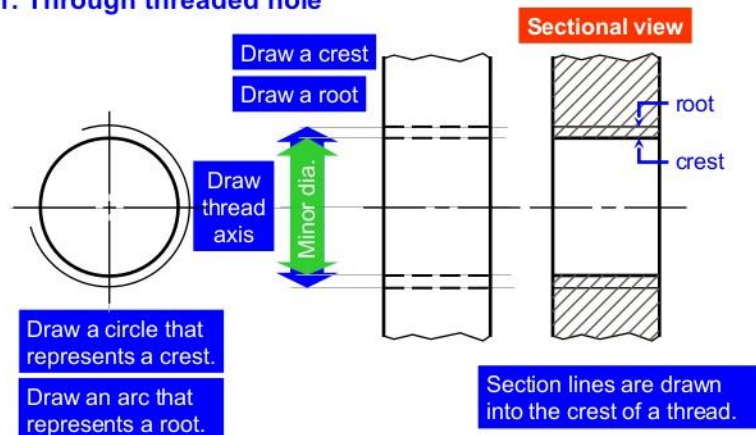
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## Thread simplified representation

### DRAWING STEPS OF THREADED HOLE

#### 1. Through threaded hole



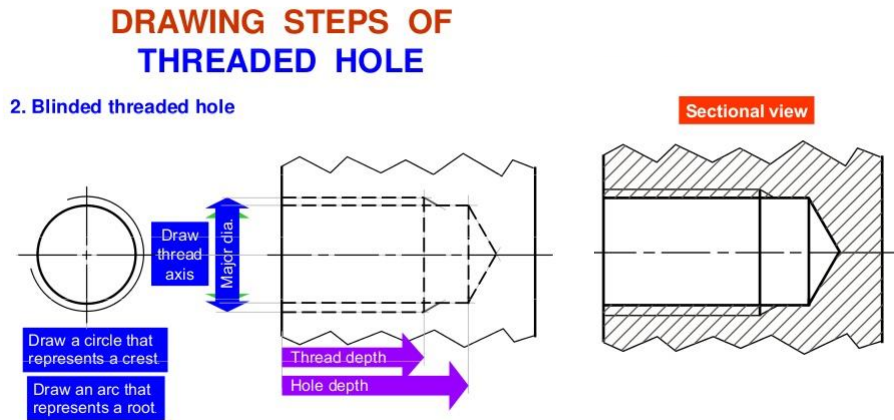
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# Thread simplified representation



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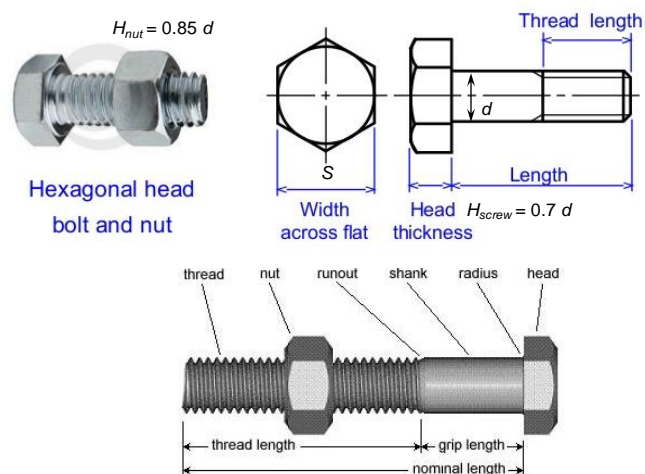
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# Thread simplified representation

## BOLT : Terminology

**Bolt** is a threaded cylinder with a head.



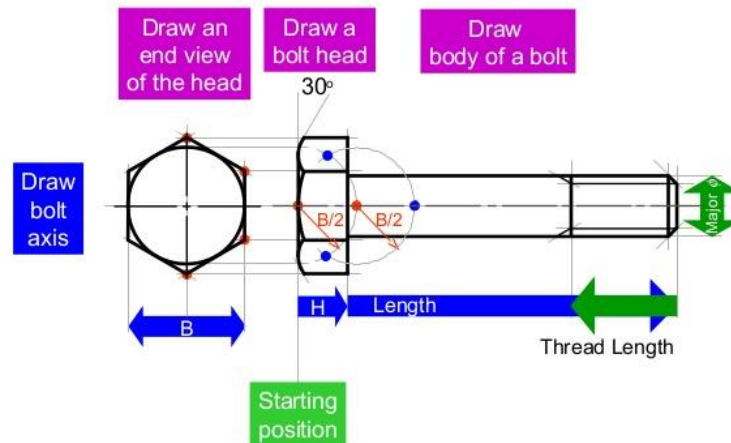
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# Thread simplified representation

## BOLT : Drawing steps

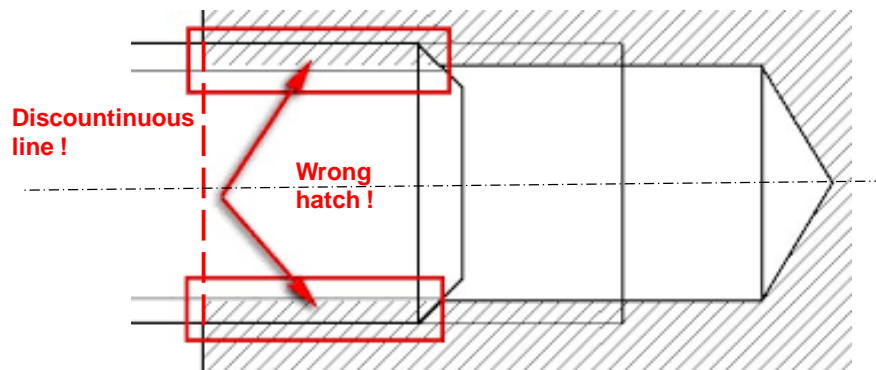


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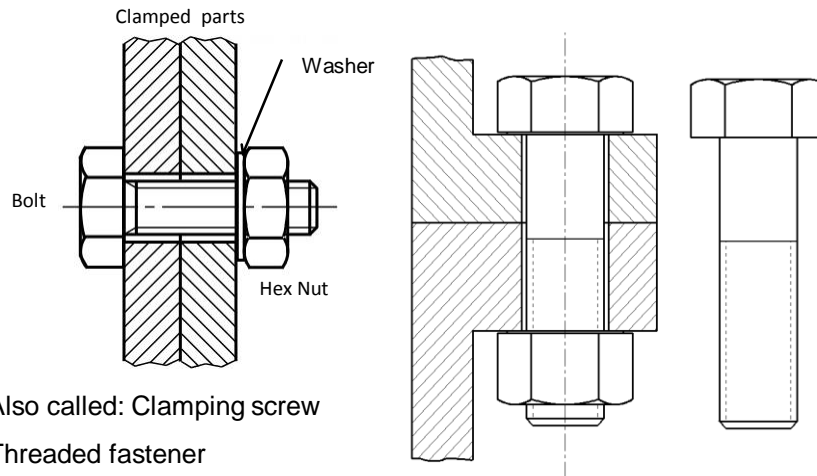
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## Thread functions (1)

Fastening/Assembling/Joining/Fixing/Clamping



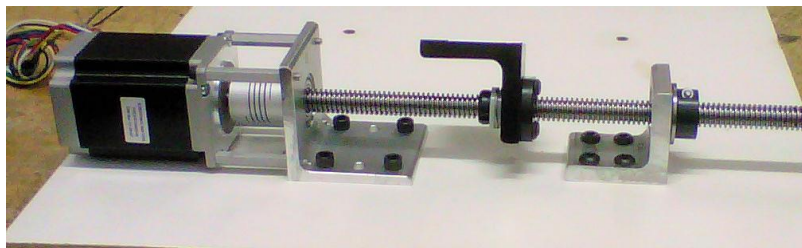
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## Thread functions (2)

Conversion of the rotary motion into linear motion of either the screw or the nut, of itself or of the mating member along the screw axis



- Rotating screw – Translating nut
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**Also called**

**Lead screws**

Translation screws

Linear actuators

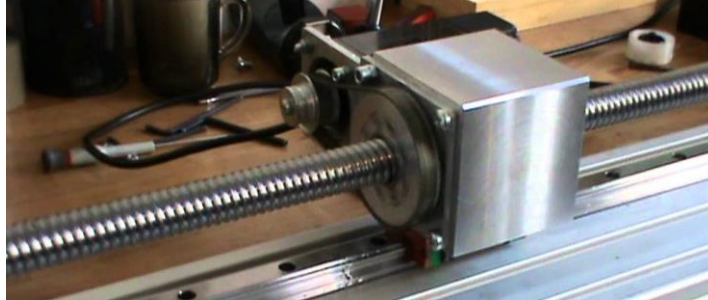
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## Thread functions (3)

Conversion of the rotary motion into linear motion of either the screw or the nut, of itself or of the mating member along the screw axis



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*Also called*  
Lead screws  
Translation screws  
**Linear actuators**

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## Thread functions (4)

Conversion of the rotary motion into linear motion of either the screw or the nut, of itself or of the mating member along the screw axis



- Rotating screw – Translating nut
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*Also called*  
Lead screw  
**Translation screw**  
Linear actuator

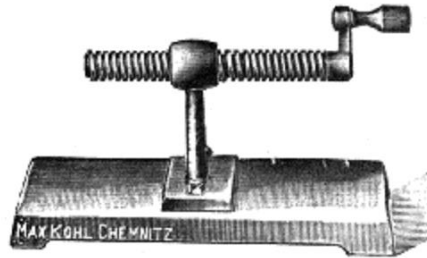
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## Thread functions (5)

Conversion of the rotary motion into linear motion of either the screw or the nut, of itself or of the mating member along the screw axis



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Also called  
Lead screw  
Translation screw  
Linear actuator

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## Materials

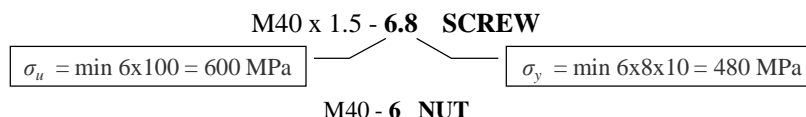
### 1. Power screw - power & motion transmission

**HARD (STEEL) / SOFT (Cast iron, bronze)** - to prevent excessive wear and seizure at high speed

### 2. Fasteners - assembly

**Screw** { Normal application - *low or medium carbon steel*  
Important application - *alloy steel (Mo, Ti, Ni-Cr)*  
Special application - *brass, high-resistance plastics*

**Nut** → *Phosphorous wrought steel, alloy steel, plastics*



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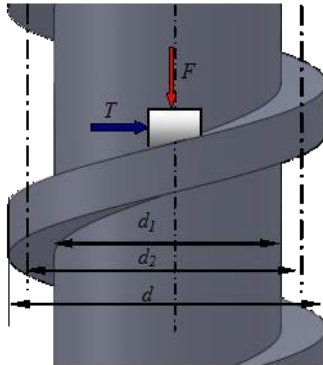
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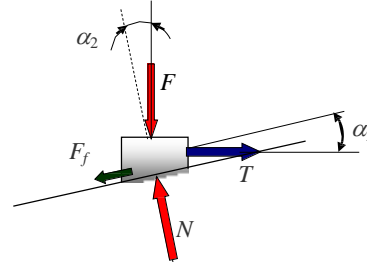
# Forces and moments acting in a screw pair

a) detail of a square thread with a part of a nut



$F$  – axial force     $T$  – tangential force

Analogy with WEDGE EFFECT



$$\vec{T} + \vec{F} + \vec{N} + \vec{F}_f = 0$$

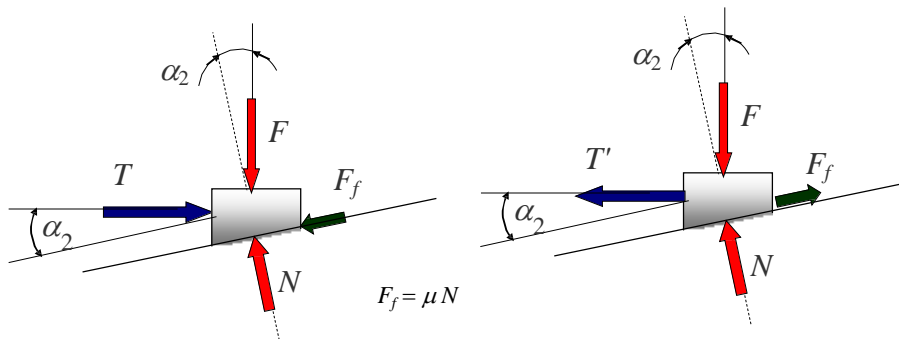
$$\begin{cases} T \cos \alpha_2 - \mu N - F \sin \alpha_2 = 0 \\ -T \sin \alpha_2 + N - F \cos \alpha_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

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# Forces and moments acting in a screw pair



Screwing up (tightening):

$$T = F \tan(\alpha_2 + \varphi)$$

$$F_f = \mu N$$

$$\tan \varphi = F_f / N$$

$$\tan \varphi = \mu$$

Self-locking condition

$$\alpha_2 < \varphi$$

Screwing down (loosening):

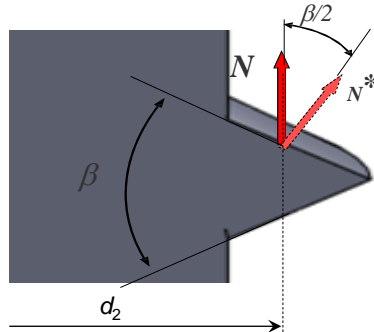
$$T' = F \tan(\alpha_2 - \varphi)$$

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## Correction for ISO Metric Thread (Inclined flank of the thread)



$$F_f = \mu N^* = \mu \frac{N}{\cos(\beta/2)}$$

$$\tan \varphi^* = \mu^*$$

$$\varphi^* = \arctan \frac{\mu}{\cos(\beta/2)}$$

Screwing up (tightening):

$$M_{t1} = T \frac{d_2}{2} = F \frac{d_2}{2} \tan(\alpha_2 + \varphi^*)$$

Screwing down (loosening):

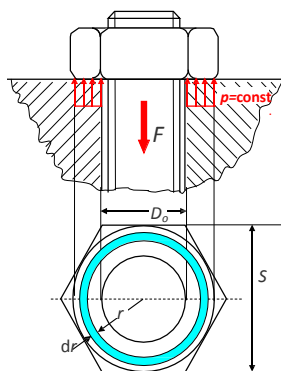
$$M_{t1} = T \frac{d_2}{2} = F \frac{d_2}{2} \tan(\alpha_2 - \varphi^*)$$

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## Collar (Underhead) friction torque



$$M_{t2} = \int_{D_0/2}^{S/2} \mu_c p (2\pi r \, dr) r$$

$$M_{t2} = \mu_c \frac{F}{3} \frac{S^3 - D_0^3}{S^2 - D_0^2}$$

Aproximate formula:

$$M_{t2} = \mu_c F R_m \quad \text{where} \quad R_m = \frac{D_0 + S}{4}$$

Observation: Distance  $S$  should be replaced by washer external diameter if any

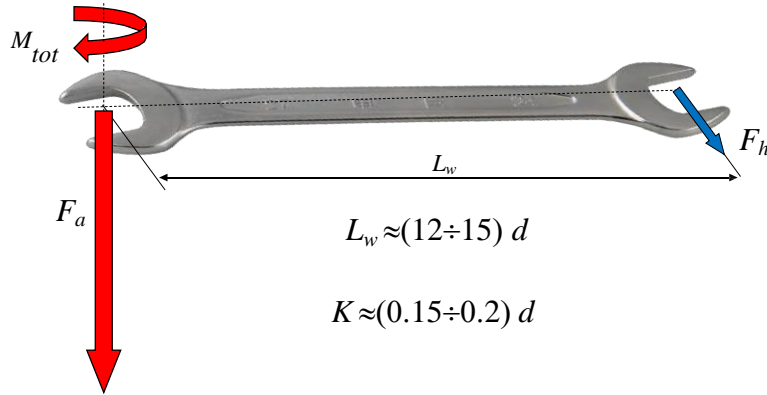
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## Total torque

Total torque (at wrench):  $M_{tot} = M_{t1} + M_{t2} = K F_a = L_w F_h$



$F_a = (60 \div 100) F_h$  The thread is an important force amplifier

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## Stiffness of screw assembly

**PART STIFFNESS**  $k = \frac{F}{\Delta l} = \frac{EA}{l} \left[ \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}} \right]$

$F$  – force [N]  
 $\Delta l$  – deformation [m]  
 $E$  – Young's modulus [MPa]  
 $A$  – section area [m<sup>2</sup>]  
 $l$  – length [m]

**EQUIVALENT STIFFNESS**  $\frac{1}{K} = \sum_i \frac{1}{k_i} = \sum_i \frac{l_i}{E_i A_i}$

**BOLT STIFFNESS**  $\frac{1}{k_b} = \frac{4}{\pi E} \left( \frac{l_1}{d^2} + \frac{l_2}{d_0^2} \right)$

**confined "O"-ring**  $\frac{1}{k_a} = \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2}$

**unconfined gasket**  $\frac{1}{k_a} = \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2} + \frac{1}{k_{gasket}}$

$\frac{1}{k_a} \cong \frac{1}{k_{gasket}}$

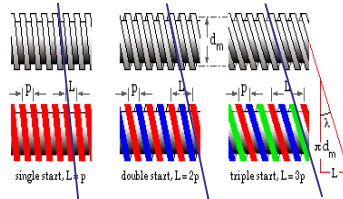
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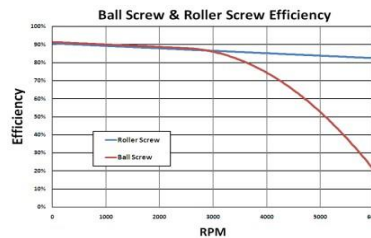
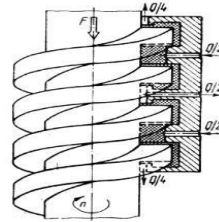
# Increasing of the Efficiency

## Multiple start screw



For the same pitch,  $L$ ,  $\alpha_2$  increases

## Hydrostatic screw



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[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_9rtQ91PQNw](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_9rtQ91PQNw)

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## Conclusions

- Most common and used assembly is threaded assembly
- There are many kind and shapes of threaded parts:
  - bolts, screws, studs etc.
  - Nuts with washers.
- Thread is an important force amplifier based on wedge effect
- Friction is very important in threaded assemblies
- Representation of thread in technical drawings is a simplified one

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